

# **KENTUCKY DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**

## **STAFF NOTE**

### **Action/Consent Item:**

Certification of Non-Public Schools

### **Applicable Statute or Regulation:**

KRS 156.160(3)

### **Action Question:**

Should the Kentucky Board of Education accept the recommendations of the Kentucky Non-Public Schools Commission to certify for the designated period of time the listed below?

### **History/Background:**

***Existing Policy.*** KRS 156.160(3) provides that any “private, parochial or church school may voluntarily comply with curriculum, certification, and textbook standards established by the Kentucky Board of Education and be certified upon application to the Board by such schools.”

At the September 1992 meeting, the Kentucky Board of Education approved a process to certify non-public schools. The Board certifies schools by accepting the recommendations of the Kentucky Non-Public Schools Commission. The Kentucky Non-Public Schools Commission ensures that the schools being presented to the Board for certification have successfully completed the accreditation process of one of the ten state, regional or national accrediting agencies approved for this purpose by the Board.

The following schools are being recommended:

**FOUR years (July 1, 2007 – June 30, 2011) Accredited by the Kentucky Non-Public Schools Commission.**

St. Mary Elementary  
Mr. Richard Martinez  
1121 Main Street  
Paris, KY 40361

**FIVE years (July 1, 2007 – June 30, 2012) Accredited by the Kentucky Non-Public Schools Commission.**

Christ the King Elementary  
Mr. Larry Bishop  
1500 Kingsway Drive  
Madisonville, KY 42431

Good Shepherd Elementary  
Mr. Jeffrey Stamper  
316 Wapping Street  
Frankfort, KY 40601

Holy Cross District High School  
Mr. Clay Eiffert  
3617 Church Street  
Covington, KY 41015

Holy Family Elementary  
Ms. Polly Duplace  
338 East 16th Street  
Covington, KY 41014

Mary Carrico Memorial Elementary  
Mr. Mike Clark  
9546 Kentucky Highway 144  
Philpot, KY 42366

Saint Agatha Academy  
Ms. Katie Mellor  
244 South Main Street  
Winchester, KY 40391

Saint Agnes Elementary  
Ms. Carol Meirose  
1800 Newburg Road  
Louisville, KY 40205

Saint Anthony Elementary  
Mr. Michael Jacks  
485 Grand Avenue  
Covington, KY 41015

Saint Edward Elementary  
Ms. Mary Grable  
107 North Walnut Street  
Cynthiana, KY 41031

Saint Joseph Interparochial School

Community Christian Academy  
Ms. Clara Faye Downs  
3230 Buckner Lane  
Paducah, KY 42001

Holy Cross Elementary  
Ms. Mary Ellen Matts  
3615 Church Street  
Covington, KY 41015

Holy Family Elementary  
Ms. Jennifer Griffith  
932 Winchester Avenue  
Ashland, KY 41101

Holy Trinity Lutheran School  
Ms. Karen Mitchell  
553 Ashmoor Avenue  
Bowling Green, KY 42101

Mother of Good Counsel Elementary  
Ms. Elizabeth Lueke  
8509 Westport Road  
Louisville, KY 40242

Saint Agnes Elementary  
Ms. Linda Groh  
1322 Sleepy Hollow Road  
Covington, KY 41011

Saint Ann Interparochial Elementary  
Ms. Janet Gill  
320 South Church Street  
Morganfield, KY 42437

Saint Augustine Elementary  
Sr. Lynette Shelton  
1840 Jefferson Avenue  
Covington, KY 41014

Saint John Elementary  
Ms. Kathleen Boothe  
106 Military Street  
Georgetown, KY 40324

Saint Margaret Mary Elementary

Ms. Janice Lange  
416 Church Avenue  
Bowling Green, KY 42101

Mr. John Westerfield  
7813 Shelbyville Road  
Louisville, KY 40222

Saint Mark School  
Sr. Benita DeMatteis  
115 Parrish Avenue  
Richmond, KY 40475

Saint Stephen Martyr Elementary  
Ms. Margaret Bowen  
2931 Pindell Avenue  
Louisville, KY 41218

Saints Peter and Paul Elementary  
Mr. Harry Luebbers  
2160 California Cross Road  
California, KY 41007

Saints Peter and Paul Elementary  
Mr. James Bonfield  
133 Barr Street  
Lexington, KY 40507

Saints Peter and Paul Elementary  
Ms. Patricia Johnson  
902 East Ninth Street  
Hopkinsville, KY 42240

Seton Catholic Elementary  
Ms. Lee Coomer  
1740 Summerhill Drive  
Lexington, KY 40515

The Piarist School  
Rev. Thomas Carroll  
Highway 80, Box 870  
Martin, KY 41649

**THREE years (July 1, 2007 - June 30, 2010) Accredited by the Association of Christian Schools International (ACSI):**

Beth Haven Christian School  
Mr. Rick Grice  
5515 Johnstontown Road  
Louisville, KY 40272

**Staff Recommendation(s) and Rationale(s):**

Staff recommends to endorse the recommendation for certification from the Kentucky Non-Public Schools Commission.

The Kentucky Non-Public Schools Commission has worked closely with the Kentucky Board of Education and the Kentucky Department of Education to establish the certification process for non-public schools. The Commission has appointed a coordinator for the project and monitors the process carefully before making the recommendations presented here.

The schools listed above have successfully completed the accreditation process conducted by the Kentucky Non-Public Schools Commission, Association of Christian Schools International, National Lutheran School Accreditation and Southern Association of Colleges and Schools.

**Groups Consulted and Brief Summary of Responses:**

The Kentucky Non-Public Schools Commission recommends certification for the schools listed for the designated periods of time.

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**Date:**

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